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Title: PRESSURE-LOADED PANEL AND USE FOR BOAT AND CONTAINER

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER

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## **AMENDMENT**

Responsive to the Official Action dated June 20, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

## IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the following amended claim 10 for the corresponding claim previously presented. A copy of the amended claim 10 showing current revisions is attached.

10. (Twice Amended) A panel/for a vessel wall having a longer side and a shorter

/side, and a side aspect ratio of at least 1.5, and comprising:

a plastic plate having at least two reinforcing laminated layers bonded together of substantially unidirectional/substantially parallel fibers having predominant orientations that form an angle with said sides of said panel;